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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.

In the Specification

Please amend the title as follows:

--A METHOD OF MAKING A MAGNETIC HEAD ~~AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF~~ WITH FERRITE BETWEEN NONMAGNETIC PORTIONS AND A NONMAGNETIC GAP--

Please amend the paragraph following the heading "RELATED APPLICATION DATA" as follows:

--The present application is a divisional of United States Application Serial No. 10/119,472 filed April 10, 2002, now United States Patent 6,801,391, and claims priority to Japanese Application No. P2001-114969 filed April 13, 2001, both of which are incorporated herein by reference to the extent permitted by law.--

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

A method for making ~~There is provided~~ a magnetic head formed with a pair of magnetic core halves fitted to abut on each other having a nonmagnetic gap therebetween and having a slide contact plane for slide contact with a magnetic recording medium on which an end face of the nonmagnetic gap and the magnetic core halves. In the ~~magnetic head~~method, a nonmagnetic portion formed by filling a glass material is provided at an end portion of the slide contact plane ~~outer~~ other than the end face of the magnetic core halves on the slide contact plane. ~~The inventive magnetic head realizes less volume of magnetic body while solving problems in mechanical strength of the magnetic head or in compatibility to a conventional head. Accordingly, a magnetic head with excellent head performance without decreasing productivity can be obtained.~~